

Showers tonight and tomorrow; cooler.

NUMBER 6028.

FIRST TO OCCUPY NEW CITY OFFICES

Fire Alarm Headquarters
Move From Old
Building.

FOUR BUREAUS DUE BY FRIDAY

District's Executive Force Will Be
Last to Change—Commissioners
Appoint Charwomen.

"Hello, Central, give me Main 6000." For many years the requests for this number have been sent to the old fire alarm headquarters on Eighth street, above D northwest. Today they were directed to the new Municipal building.

Fire alarm headquarters is the first branch of the District government to begin business at the new stand. The operators and officers today reported at their rooms on the sixth floor of the new building and the old quarters are abandoned. This branch of the service not only sends out the alarms of fire but acts as the telephone exchange of the local government and the patrol system of the police department. Great care was exercised in moving the intricate and expensive mechanism to which considerable addition has been made.

Moving Records and Papers.

The work of moving the records, papers, etc., from the old building to the new began today. The committee in charge said today that by Friday afternoon the Water Department, Electrical Department, Assessor's office, and the Department of Insurance will be installed in their new offices. The business of the District government will be conducted in the old building until Saturday, the Fourth of July, and the day of the celebration of the dedication of the new building.

The Commissioners and officials of the executive office will be the last to move, and will not be found in the neighborhood of Fourth and Pennsylvania avenue until July 7.

Charwomen Appointed.

The Commissioners today announced the appointment of the following charwomen in the new building at a salary of \$240 per annum each:

E. A. Gowans, Mary E. McCarthy, Virginia Bigelow, Emma Hilleary, Mrs. Rose Callahan, Ida M. Thaw, Mrs. Samuel T. Walker, Mrs. Lizzie Mann, Louise M. McQuade, Margaret Phillips, Henrietta Kemp, Carrie M. Niefeldt, Mrs. Katie E. Marquette, Miss Mary McMahon, Mrs. Traubner, Annie Ward, Mary Flint, Mary J. Higgs, Ellen DeLong, Miss Laura Donohoe, Mrs. McCardle, Mrs. Rachel M. Thaw, Mrs. Beckett, Maria Brooks, Abbie Jones, Bertha B. Williams, Mrs. F. R. Matthews, Sarah E. Cornely, Jennie Butler, Rose C. Sullivan, Annie Louder, Mrs. Annie Arrington, Mrs. Kate Flaherty, Sarah Brady, Laura E. Baptiste and Julia Scott.

Celebration Fund \$4,007; Program All Arranged

The fund to defray the expenses of the celebration in honor of the opening of the new Municipal building on the Fourth was \$4,007.50 this morning. It is expected that this amount can easily be raised to \$4,100 by the middle of the week.

With this sum on hand, and more expected, the committee in charge of the affair is well pleased, and promises to furnish a program of patriotic speeches, singing and fireworks that will long be remembered in Washington.

Those who have recently made subscriptions follow:

M. G. Copeland Co.	\$10
The Chas. Schneider Baking Co.	10
N. H. Ebbinger	5
William J. Acker	5
J. Selwyn Tait	5
John Joy Edgar	5
Dr. R. L. E. Johnson	10
W. P. Van Winkle	10
W. G. Smith Piano Co.	15
P. Mann & Co.	10
Robert E. Fleming	5
W. V. Cox	5
Tom C. Novak	10
W. H. Saunders & Co.	10
William C. Woodward	2
L. G. Hine	20
William Tindall	10
G. G. Corwell & Son	10
Washington	10
S. S. Shedd & Bro.	10
A. P. Clark, Jr.	5
J. C. Ergood	10
Washington Topham	10
C. A. Langley	5
Charles E. Kern	1
Weaver Bros.	10
A. P. Hagner	10

The complete program of events which will take place in the front of the new home of the District government, in the manner in which the fireworks will be set off in the evening, has been fully decided upon. John Joy Edgar, chairman of the joint committee on arrangements, will call a meeting tomorrow at 11 o'clock at the Board of Trade to accept the program formally. The change is that Vice President Fairbanks, owing to pressing business matters, will be unable to speak.

WEATHER REPORT.

There will be showers tonight or Tuesday in the lower lake region and upper Ohio valley, and tonight and Tuesday in the Middle Atlantic and East Gulf States. In the South Atlantic States the weather will be generally fair.

It will be cooler over the districts where showers are indicated.

TEMPERATURE.

9 a. m.	81
12 m.	82
1 p. m.	82
2 p. m.	82

WEATHER BUREAU.

9 a. m.	79
12 m.	80
1 p. m.	80
2 p. m.	80

SUN TABLE.

Sun rises	4:31
Sun sets	7:30

TIDE TABLE.

High water today	5:58 p. m.
Low water today	1:10 a. m., 2:35 p. m.
High water tomorrow	5:10 a. m., 6:35 p. m.
Low water tomorrow	1:18 a. m., 2:40 p. m.

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OWNS THUNDERER



ALFRED HARMSWORTH, LORD NORTHCLIFFE, Publisher of Thirty Periodicals, Who Has Come to Light as Owner of "The Thunderer."

HARMSWORTH BUYS THE LONDON TIMES

Surprise Is General When
Fact Is Announced
Today.

LONDON, June 23.—It is learned today that the sole proprietorship of the London Times has fallen to Lord Northcliffe, who is Alfred Harmsworth, owner of the Daily Mail, Answers, and thirty other publications.

The preliminary negotiations were kept secret, and great surprise was expressed because of the little time elapsing between the transaction and the organization of a limited liability company, which was formed to prevent the paper from falling into the ownership of C. Arthur Pearson, another big newspaper owner.

It was announced several months ago that Pearson had secured control of "The Thunderer," having purchased the interest of the members of the Walter family, who had dictated the policy of the paper from its beginning.

Later it was announced that the negotiations had fallen through.

LIPTON TO TRY AGAIN TO LIFT YACHT CUP

Will Let New York Club Dictate
Size of Challenger—To Be
Shamrock IV.

GLASGOW, June 23.—Sir Thomas Lipton made the positive statement in an interview today that he would challenge for the America's Cup. He will sail a cutter-rigged yacht, built to conform with the new rules of the New York Yacht Club.

Sir Thomas even went so far as to say he would let the New York club dictate the size of the challenger. He will build two boats and select the final challenger after a series of races between the two.

The new challenger will probably be called Shamrock IV. It was suggested that the name Shamrock is a hoodoo and that he would stand a better chance to win if he would drop the name. Sir Thomas, however, is partial to Shamrock and as he is not at all superstitious the new racer will likely bear the name of the three Lipton predecessors.

NEW YORK, June 23.—The New York Yacht Club announces that it will accept Sir Thomas Lipton's challenge for the America's Cup.

ROOT ENJOYING MULDOON'S FARM

NEW YORK, June 23.—Secretary Root arrived at Muldoon's sanitarium near White Plains yesterday afternoon, and his very cordial greeting to William Muldoon, the proprietor, was heartily returned. For Mr. Root became a warm favorite of the once famous athlete during his visit to the sanitarium last year. The Secretary will remain at least two weeks.

Mr. Muldoon said in splendid condition. "Mr. Root is in splendid condition," he said. "He has held everything he gained in health and strength and weight last year, and if there has been any change it has been toward improvement. I was surprised to find him in such fine form after so many months of work. All he needs is a good setting up to make him perfectly fit."

FLEET ASSEMBLES FOR LONG CRUISE

SAN FRANCISCO, June 23.—Twelve of the sixteen battleships of the Atlantic fleet, which is to start on July 7, on the voyage from San Francisco around the world, are now in San Francisco harbor. The other four are expected to arrive from Northern waters during the coming week.

On Tuesday next the Panther and Yankton, auxiliaries, will sail for Honolulu, to be followed on Wednesday by the Culgoza and Relief, and on Monday, July 8, by the Glacier and Ajax.

All of the battleships, which have been undergoing repairs here, will be off the drydocks by July 3. The ships will take no part in the celebration of the Fourth of July here except to participate in the firing of salutes.

Pastor Russell Speaks at Pythian Temple Auditorium tonight at 7:30 p. m. Seats are free.—Adv.

INQUIRY IS BEGUN IN HOUSE COLLAPSE

Grand Jury Hearing Evidence Concerning Accident at Pickford Apartments.

TWENTY WITNESSES PLACED ON STAND

Experts Prepare Sketches of Wrecked Building for Use at the Trial.

Investigation was begun today by the grand jury into the collapse of the Pickford apartment house, Twentieth and P streets, June 9, when two workmen lost their lives as the fourth floor fell to the basement.

About twenty witnesses were on hand this morning, including a number of experts, who testified at the hearing before Coroner Nevitt.

Four Held Responsible.

The coroner's jury held four men responsible—Snowden Ashford, Building Inspector, for the approval of the building plans; Foreman Blake, of Barber & Ross, iron contractors, for improper construction; John F. Bayne, brick contractor, for hasty construction and the use of poor materials; and Thomas H. Pickford, owner and builder of the structure, for not having a competent superintendent in charge of the work of the different contractors.

Witnesses were called this morning to prove the manner in which the two workmen came to their death, and to testify to examinations of the building made immediately after the catastrophe.

It is within the power of the grand jury to exonerate persons held responsible by the coroner's jury or to consider the responsibility of persons who were not held by that body.

Assistant District Attorney Charles H. Turner, who represented the District Attorney's office at the coroner's hearing, was in charge of the presentation of the case to the grand jury.

Present Sketches.

The experts who were summoned to testify as to the materials used and the plans of the Pickford apartment house had prepared at the request of District Attorney Baker a group of plans showing the exact condition of affairs in the building, and these will be laid before the jury today.

A finding is not expected for a week at least because of the volume of testimony which must necessarily be introduced in a case of such a technical character. The grand jury will go deep into the matter than the coroner's jury, it is thought.

LITTLEFIELD TO AID WHERE LABOR FIGHTS

Maine Representative Busy, But Will Take Part in Taft Campaign.

Representative Charles E. Littlefield of Maine is still in politics in spite of resigning his seat in the House to take effect September 1.

Mr. Littlefield is in Washington today to hold a conference with the attorneys in the famous Virginia-West Virginia debt case, in which he was named as a defendant by the Supreme Court of the United States. In this conference it will be decided where the evidence is to be taken. Richmond is now regarded as the most likely place.

Littlefield and his son are now practicing law in New York, and the father has been so busy that he has been at his Maine home only thirty-six hours since Congress adjourned.

He will be in the national campaign when things begin to warm up about September 1. His speeches will be made in the doubtful districts, and the Republican managers will make use of him as a speaker, and he is famous as an opponent of the labor movement.

YOUTH SHOOTS GIRL AT FATHER'S STORE

NEW YORK, June 23.—Etta Edelberg, a pretty girl of eighteen, was behind a counter in her father's notion store at 273 Forty-third street, Brooklyn, yesterday evening, when a youth about her age, a stranger, entered and asked for a pair of garters. She said it was against her father's rule to make sales on Sunday.

"You sell me those garters or I'll make trouble," the girl says the youth retorted. She ordered him from the store.

He reached across the counter, picked up a pistol that was lying there, and shot her. The bullet passed through her left arm and lodged in her side. The youth dropped the pistol and ran.

FORFEITS HIS LIFE TO SEE SWEETHEART

NEW YORK, June 23.—In an effort to see his sweetheart, with whom he had quarreled, Frederick Norman, aged thirty-six, of 353 Fourteenth street, Hoboken, early today received injuries which will cost his life.

Miss Emma Geiger lives on the fifth floor of 115 East 119th street. Norman called several times and was told by a neighbor that the girl was out. He managed to get into an apartment under the arched window to see the woman at home. He missed his footing and fell from the fifth floor to the pavement.

Policeman Maguire took him to Harlem Hospital, where it was found he had injured his skull. He cannot recover.

SANITARY WILL GO TO JURY

Court Makes Promise Today, as Habeas Corpus Case Opens.

DEFENSE OPPOSES MATTEAWAN ASYLUM

Jerome Appears in Person for the State—Prisoner Remains for Present in Poughkeepsie.

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., June 23.—Harry Thaw is to have his desire that a jury pass upon the question of his sanity. While his habeas corpus hearing was in progress here today, his counsel, A. Russell Peabody, declared that Justice Isaac Mills had promised that he would grant a jury hearing on the question of their client's sanity at the October term of court.

Two thousand persons, more than half of them women, tried to crowd into Justice Mills' court when Thaw's trial opened today. It was soon seen that they could not be accommodated in the little room, and an adjournment was taken to the court house.

Thaw Gets Lost.

Thaw arrived in White Plains in charge of Under Sheriff John Townsend, from Poughkeepsie, at 8:30 o'clock, but when court opened had vanished. With his keeper, he was finally located in a barber shop, whence he was followed to the court house by a crowd of 2,000, who filled the street from curb to curb.

When argument began, Thaw was represented by Col. Franklin Bartlett, Charles Morschauer, and A. Russell Peabody. District Attorney Jerome was present in person, to oppose any effort of Thaw to dodge Matteawan.

In opening, Colonel Bartlett declared that he would contest the constitutionality of Thaw's commitment to Matteawan on four counts, taken from the records of the previous trial.

Jerome Overruled.

This brought Jerome to his feet with an objection. "This is no proper time," he said, "for such a proceeding. It should go before the appellate court."

Justice Mills agreed with this, but stated that as Colonel Bartlett was to leave for Europe on Thursday he would be allowed to proceed.

It is expected that the presentation of his arguments will occupy most of the day.

There was no sign of Thaw's wife at the hearing, and it was stated that she will not appear until a jury is selected. Pending the conclusion of the present trial, which is expected to last two or three days, Thaw will be returned to his Poughkeepsie jail.

Release From Matteawan Refused by Justice

NEW YORK, June 23.—Supreme Court Justice Dowling today denied the application of Harry K. Thaw for an order for his removal from Matteawan to some other asylum. In his decision, which is the result of a move distinct from that now being made in Thaw's behalf at White Plains, Justice Dowling says:

"This man is a dangerously insane person, who is not to be released but to be kept under restraint that he may injure neither himself nor anyone else."

WEIRD SUN WORSHIP SCANDAL IN SOCIETY

"Unbelievers" See Prominent Women, in Transparent Robes, Give "Kiss of Peace."

LOWELL, Mass., June 23.—Great interest and excitement have been aroused here by the doings, both real and alleged, of the Mazdaznans, or sun worshippers, who this week are holding a national convention here.

The ceremonies are secret, but enough outsiders got in their temple yesterday to start tongues by tales of what they saw.

Clad in silk, almost transparent, robes of flimsy, sleeveless, and décolleté, twelve Lowell women, all members of prominent families, surrounded Dr. Otoman Kar Adusti Hanish, of Chicago, the high priest of the sect, and took part in spectacular sun worship services.

The ceremony concluded with a general exchange by the believers of the "kiss of peace." Dr. Hanish starting the ceremony with the twelve elect at the altar.

On account of the stir caused by the ceremonies at the opening meeting, the sun worshippers have decided to bar unbelievers from future gatherings.

The Mazdaznans declare their superiority to all law, and say they have come to revolutionize the world.

NEWBERRY RETURNS FROM LONG ISLAND

Assistant Secretary of the Navy Truman H. Newberry, who spent last week at his summer home at Watch Hill, L. I., and doing the boat races on the Thames, returned to his office this morning, accompanied by Walter A. Dane, his private secretary.

Mr. Newberry relieved Admiral Pillsbury as acting secretary of the Navy. Mr. Newberry will spend his vacation in installments, by spending each week-end during the summer at Watch Hill.

S. E. JOHNSON ILL; HIS DEATH FEARED

Sylvannus E. Johnson is critically ill at the Providence Hospital today, and his death is believed imminent. Mr. Johnson has been sinking steadily since last night.

W. S. Knox, who has been seriously ill for several weeks past, is much improved. He was resting well, and his general condition showed marked improvement in every way.

TO QUIET KOREAN REVOLT



GENERAL NOGAI, Whose Mild Temperament Is Expected to Exert More Power in Korea Than Marquis Ito's Force of Arms.

NOGAI APPOINTED KOREAN GOVERNOR

Mikado Recalls Marquis Ito, Because of His Despotic Rule.

TOKIO, June 23.—The Mikado today recalled Governor General Marquis Ito from Korea, and appointed General Nogai, one of the heroes of the war with Russia, in his place.

This move of the Mikado is intended as a pacificatory measure. It is the rule in Korea has been marked with the utmost severity, and his repressive measures are responsible for the rebellion that is now being waged.

Nogai is a man of more gentle temperament, and it is hoped that his assumption of control will do more to restore order than a dozen armies.

WOMAN AND MANIAC FIGHT HALF AN HOUR

Matron Nearly Choked to Death When Help Arrives—Pair Battle in Cell.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 23.—Battling desperately for life, Matron Ellen Smith fought today for a half hour in a locked cell against the superhuman strength of a mad woman on the detention ward of the Central Emergency Hospital. Help came just in time to save her from being choked to death.

When Matron Smith entered the cell to disrobe her charge the maniac slammed to the grated door and leaped upon her keeper.

Back and forth the two struggled, the mad woman's grip upon Miss Smith's throat and the latter fighting her hardest for life. It was fully half an hour before help came, and the maniac had forced Miss Smith to the floor and was choking her to death. Five minutes more, and she would have been dead.

As it was masses of her hair had been torn out and both women were almost disrobed by their struggles in the fight for life.

YOUNG BOY DROWNS AT BATHING BEACH

Party in Rowboat When Lad Falls Overboard—Others Try to Save Comrade.

Lincoln Feaffer, nine years old, of 121 Pennsylvania avenue northwest, fell from a rowboat at the old bathing beach opposite the Washington Monument about 2 o'clock this afternoon, and was drowned.

With several companions the boy went to the beach to go swimming. After putting on their bathing suits the boys got a rowboat and were about 100 yards from shore when Feaffer fell overboard.

The other boys attempted to save him, but he sank before they could reach him. Police of the harbor precinct are dragging for the body.

ALFONSO'S SON IS CRISTENED

LAGRANJA, Spain, June 23.—With all the pomp and splendor of ancient royalty, the Infanta Isabella acted as the godmother today at the christening of the second son born to the King and Queen of Spain last Tuesday.

The infant was borne by nobly dressed members of the court on a gold and embroidered cushion, and the ceremony was witnessed by all of the nobles of the realm. Many invited guests from foreign lands looked on. The Prince Regent of Bavaria acted as godfather.

HITCHCOCK ARRIVES, MYSTERY RAMPANT

Refuses to Say a Word About the Chairmanship Problem.

JULY 8 DATE SET FOR THE NAMING

Taft Prepares to Take Up Residence in Hot Springs, and Instructs Successor.

Some of the big noises and a lot of big mystery are in this man's town today. It's all about the chairmanship of the Republican national committee. Who will be the lucky, or unlucky, man, no one seems to know at present. Frank H. Hitchcock, the famous Taft booster, arrived at 10:30 o'clock this morning from Chicago, where he took a rest after the convention. Of course, he hadn't a word to say about who would be chairman. This was a disappointment to the seekers of news, because there is a general impression that Hitchcock eventually will land the job.

Mr. Hitchcock will hold a conference late this afternoon or tomorrow with Secretary Taft and Charles P. Taft, the Secretary's brother.

Secretary of War Taft put in most of the forenoon showing Luke E. Wright the intricacies of how to run the Department of War. Wright was at the War Department all day. But, when it came to handing out tips on who would be national chairman, there was nothing doing from the Secretary.

Brother Charlie Mumm.

Charles P. Taft, the Secretary's brother, also is in town, but he, too, was shy on information about the chairmanship. The most that could be got out of any of these gentlemen was that the selection will be made July 8, at Hot Springs, Va., whither the Secretary will go this week.

There, according to present plans, he will meet the national committee's subcommittee, which has been empowered to select the chairman of the committee.

At the Taft headquarters today it was stated in the most positive manner that the chairmanship job has not been decided, and that a decision will not be reached until July 8. Hitchcock will close up this week, the offices in the Union Trust building, from which he engaged the Taft nomination boom in such a successful manner.

Hitchcock the Choice.

Although Secretary Taft refused to make any statement today regarding the probable choice for the chairmanship of the Republican national committee, and both Hitchcock and "Brother Charlie" would not go on record, save to say that no selection had been made, the general impression is that Hitchcock will be the man, provided the Secretary decides he can make the appointment without creating a party row in Ohio. The Ohio Republicans are rampant in their declarations that Arthur L. Vorys should have the chairmanship.

The result of this dispute may be that neither Hitchcock nor Vorys will get the place, and that it may go to Postmaster General Meyer. It is regarded as unquestionable, however, that Secretary Taft wants Hitchcock on the job. It was stated with authority today that, even if an outsider is made chairman, Taft will do all he can to persuade Hitchcock to work for the campaign.

Taft and his friends have come to regard Hitchcock as their political mascot. Or, at least, as the man, as soon as he took hold of the nomination boom last spring, the tide began to turn toward Taft with a rush.

One of the reasons for Hitchcock's favor, in addition to the political ability he has exhibited, is that many of the Ohio Republicans are wrong in trying to pull off a dog-in-the-manger act by saying she should have not only the Presidential nomination, but also the chairmanship of the national committee. This combination would be here if Vorys were given the place.

Taft Has Busy Day At the Department

Casting aside temporarily the political matters which have engaged his attention to the exclusion of all else during the past two or three days, Secretary Taft put in one of his characteristic working days at the War Department today, winding up his administration of that branch of the Government. He decided on all callers, except those who had previously arranged to see him and the bureau chiefs were constantly at his side.

Gen. Luke E. Wright, who will be sworn in as Secretary of War tomorrow, was at the department early in the day, arriving there shortly after 10 o'clock. Secretary Taft did not get down until 11 o'clock. He was accompanied by Charles P. Taft, who left the department shortly afterward. Charles Taft said that he probably would not go to Hot Springs with the candidates. "I have important business here," he said, but he refused to disclose the nature of his Washington trip.

General Wright was an interested spectator as he watched Mr. Taft dispose of routine work. A large number of photographs were autographed by hundreds of letters of thanks were dispatched to friends who had written messages of congratulation and routine matters which required the personal attention of the Secretary were taken care of.

For once Mr. Taft was too busy to see newspaper men. It has been customary for him to always make time for them, but today he sent out word that he was too busy, and that he did not have any news anyway.

Foraker Leaves Today; Has No Deal With Taft

Senator Joseph Benson Foraker of Ohio will leave Washington this afternoon for his home, his last public utterance being that he and his friends are making no effort to effect a deal with the Taft followers for Foraker's safe return to the Senate.